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BIRD FLU VACCINE
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has developed a vaccine to check Bird Flu;

(b) if so, whether the said vaccine has been put up for sale in the market;

(c) if so, whether the Union Government has fixed its price; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b), (c) & (d): The Technology for production of vaccine is available for commercialization. However, the basic facility of biosafety level-III required for production of this vaccine is not available with any manufacturer at present. The price of the vaccine will be fixed depending on the production cost when the vaccine is manufactured on large scale.